

St. Edward Liturgy Committee Meeting

6:45pm - Wednesday, June 29, 2017 at Anastasia's home

Members present: Matt Bries, Becky Hargreaves, Carmen Lappe, Chris Mitchell, Emma Stoffer, Bella Douglas, Marilyn Thornton, Fr. Scott Bullock, Anastasia Nicklaus. Also present was Michael McAndrew, seminarian for the archdiocese.

Members excused: Marijo Petullo, Don Jacobson, Deacon Ray Larsen, Mary Kay Larsen, Gail Bullerman, Tom Jennings, Pam Nichols

I. The meeting began with a meal prayer and dinner.

II. Liturgy Formation: Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy (10-15 minutes)

Chapter 1, (articles/paragraphs 1-46), #s 43-46 are new).

- a. Committee members discussed the importance of full, conscious, and active participation. This is evident from those attending Wednesday evening Mass. Sunday morning 7:30 Mass assembly sings well even without music ministry involved. The committee considered if this could be partially because assembly members know their voices are needed.
- b. This brings about the principle that the voice is the principal instrument at Mass; all other instruments are supplemental. Therefore, the cantor is not meant to be heard over all others unless it is meant to be, such as when the responsorial psalm is proclaimed. Likewise for the presider and the deacon. Other instrumentation is intended to encourage participation rather than overshadow it.
- c. There are two liturgical commissions in our Archdiocese: the Art and Renovation Commission, who are tasked with considering additions or renovations to worship spaces, and the Worship Commission, who examine the liturgical needs of the diocese and offer trainings for lay ministers, among other tasks. The Worship Commission considers how liturgy can be best promoted in the archdiocese and what formation needs are out there. (workshops, trainings, evaluation and feedback, penance services, etc.) Receiving these materials from the archdiocese is valuable, especially in rural parishes with small numbers of ordained ministers and lay personnel.

III. Approval of Minutes and Agenda

- a. The agenda was approved.
- b. The approval of the minutes from May will be tabled for our next meeting, as most of those present had not reviewed them.

IV. Reports/Updates

- a. Coordinator report was attached to the agenda. Key points:
 - i. Anastasia's office has been moved upstairs to the former dining room. This allows for the staff to more easily interact, and also gives easier access to those who stop by the offices. The only remaining office in the basement is the faith formation office. The funeral planner's computer may be moved to Marilyn Schons' former office to allow for internet access.
 - ii. Anastasia attended a workshop at the University of Notre Dame's Center for Liturgy: Encountering Jesus Christ in the Bible and the Liturgy. Some take-aways:
 1. Any encounter with Jesus should be an evangelizing experience. *How does this ring true within our experiences of Liturgy at St. Edward?*
 2. Liturgy is evangelizing by enriching people body and soul to empower them to go out into the world and spread the Gospel.
 3. Our recurrent images form us—what is repeated in our life forms who we are. *What images are being presented through the liturgy?*
 - iii. Brett Rauzi has been hired as the new pastoral associate.
- b. St. Cecilia Room Update
 - i. Demolition and work should be able to be completed within a five-day week. Father suggested an image of St. Cecilia be placed in the room. More details forthcoming.

- c. Committee membership
 - i. Welcome to Bella Douglas, who has joined the committee as a youth representative.
 - ii. Anastasia will follow up with other potential members. One person was approached but not interested, and she is waiting to hear back from two others.
- d. Integration of our parish's growing diversity
 - i. Congolese gather after Mass for scripture sharing and song.
 - ii. Continue to pray for this group (and all other cultures in our parish family) as they continue to integrate into our parish.

V. **Thanks you notes from committee (standing item)**

- a. None at this time.

VI. **Possible agenda items for next meeting?**

- a. None at this time.

VII. **Closing Prayer was a burning of the palms from Palm Sunday.**

Upcoming dates:

Totus Tuus: July 23-29

Mission Co-Op Appeal: July 28-29

Spiritual Gifts Workshop: 2:30pm August 2

Assumption of Mary: Tuesday, August 15 with a potential vigil Mass on Monday, August 14. Mass schedule TBD.

Next meeting: 6:15pm Wednesday August 23, 2017